

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of Contracting and Procurement



**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

AGENCY: Department of Health (DC Health),

CONTRACT NO.: TBD

OFFEROR: City University of New York (CUNY) Graduate School for Public Health and Health Policy, Institute for Implementation Science in Public Health (ISPH)

CAPTION: DC Ending the HIV Epidemic (ETE) Dashboard

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

DC. Official Code Section 2-354.04 and 27 DCMR Sections 1304, 1700, and 1701.

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The District of Columbia Office of Contracting and Procurement, on behalf of Department of Health (DC Health), Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS), Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Disease, and Tuberculosis Administration (HAHSTA) is seeking approval to award a firm fixed priced Sole Source contract to CUNY to develop and operate a DC Ending the HIV Epidemic (ETE) Dashboard to track the District's metrics and advances on ending the HIV epidemic in Washington, DC.

The period of performance shall be for one year from the date of award.

3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated reasonable price shall not exceed \$360,000.00.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

A. The District of Columbia has made ending the HIV epidemic a public health priority. In 2016, Mayor Bowser released the 90/90/90/50 Plan to End the HIV Epidemic in the District of Columbia by 2020. Since its release the District has continued to make

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progress toward achieving the goals of 90% of people with HIV knowing their status, 90% of people diagnosed with HIV on treatment, 90% of people on treatment achieving viral load suppression, and a 50% reduction in new HIV diagnoses. The plan included an intention to develop a data dashboard to track the District's metrics and advances.

- B. DC Health is a member of both the National Institute for Health (NIH) Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) and the DC Center for AIDS Research (DC CFAR). The DC CFAR was successful in receiving four awards from NIH. DC CFAR learned that the State of New York's Health Department commissioned an ETE Dashboard by the CUNY Institute for Implementation Science in Public Health (ISPH) and contacted CUNY for collaboration opportunities as part of this national effort.
- C. CUNY is the developer and sole proprietor of the ETE Dashboard. CUNY developed new proprietary technology to establish the dashboard with integrated features for graphical representations of data and interactive elements for users. The dashboard allows users to rapidly integrate disparate datasets, present the data in tabular and geographic formats and detect data trends. CUNY will customize and operate DC Health's ETE Dashboard. DC Health explored other options dashboards, but none had the technology components comparable to the ETE Dashboard. Further market research determined that no other software system or team offers the level of customization and disease-specific detail that CUNY can provide.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date

LaQuandra S. Nesbitt, MD, MPH
Director, Department of Health

6. CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

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Date

Dorothy Hale
Contracting Officer

Date

Wil Giles
Chief Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

George Schutter.
Chief Procurement Officer